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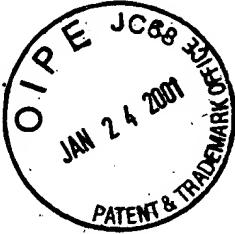
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TOSHIO HIRAI ET AL.

Serial No. 09/678,544

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date Granted mailed December 6, 2000, copy attached, applicants are submitting herewith an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney document. A check in the amount of \$65 is attached herewith which is owed by applicant as a small entity for the late filing of this document.

Applicants are also submitting herewith executed Small Entity Statements averring to applicant's status as a small entity. Entry of these documents into this application is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to applicant's representative's Deposit Account No.

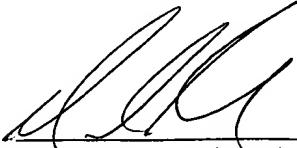
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

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